




MEETING MINUTES

Committee	UTAH SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ANTI-VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Date	Tuesday, November 27, 2007
Time	11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location	Utah Law and Justice Center
Members Present	Dr. Gary Jorgensen, Harold Morrill, Gaby Anderson, Dan Becker, Pat Bird, Craig Burr, Senator Chris Buttars, Louis Callister, Commissioner Bill Cox, Commissioner Scott Duncan, Brent Kelsey (for Mark Payne), Judge Michael Kwan, Verne Larsen, Scott Reed (for Kirk Torgensen), Mayor JoAnn Seghini, Anna Kay Waddoups, Judge Robert Yeates
Members Excused	Jerry Blackburn, Colonel Merrill Carter, Fotu Katoa, Dr. Richard Melton, Mark Payne, Terry Russo, Chief Paul Tittensor, Kirk Torgensen, Sherm Watkins
Guests	Governor Jon Huntsman, First Lady Mary Kaye Huntsman, Art Brown, Tani Downing, Tess Falkner, Brent Gardner, Karena Jackson, Helen Knipe, Nancy Larsen, Thomas Lopresto, Victoria McFarland, Lorenzo Miller, Doug Murakami, Teri Pectol, Mary Phillips, Angela Smart, Allen Stephens, Nora B Stephens, Doug Stowell, Marsha Thomas, Steve Wright
Staff	Mary Lou Emerson and Monica Taylor
Agenda Item	Call to Order
Notes	Chairman Gary Jorgensen welcomed all present.
Agenda Item	Presentation of 2007 USAAV Governor's Awards and Presentation of UBHN Award
Notes	<p>Chairman Gary Jorgensen introduced Governor and Mrs. Huntsman and expressed appreciation for their attendance. Governor Huntsman and Judge Yeates presented the 2007 USAAV Governor's Awards to Nora B Stephens, Judge Michael Kwan, Verne Larsen and Commissioner Bill Cox. Governor Huntsman said these awards are very meaningful and are an extension of what the Council has done so well: helping the state focus on the substance abuse issue by getting to the root causes of behavior we would otherwise pay enormously for later on. Governor Huntsman thanked the USAAV Council for all the work they have done.</p> <p>Angela Smart presented the Utah Behavioral Healthcare Network (UBHN) Award to Senator Chris Buttars for his work in promoting the Drug Offender Reform Act (DORA). She noted the award was established to recognize exceptional efforts to enhance quality services and assist in building treatment capacity for the state.</p>
Agenda Item	Approval of July 31, 2007 Meeting Notes
Notes	Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2007 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dan Becker and passed unanimously.
Agenda Item	Presentation of 2006-07 Annual Report on Eliminating Underage Drinking in Utah
Notes	Doug Murakami, Director of Alcohol Education for the Utah Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, reported in 2006 the Legislature passed the Eliminate Alcohol Sales to Youth (E.A.S.Y.) law. The bill created two funding streams: funding for the law enforcement compliance check program, and funding for a statewide underage drinking prevention media campaign. Doug said a key goal of the media campaign is to get the entire community involved in preventing underage drinking. The core of the campaign is the new research on

	<p>the effects of alcohol on the developing teen brain. The campaign also informs parents about early addiction issues. The television ads created for the campaign were shown to the Council.</p> <p>Helen Knipe, Program Specialist for the Department of Public Safety's Highway Safety Office, reported on the alcohol compliance checks being conducted in grocery and convenience stores. The goal of these checks is to curtail the retail supply of alcohol to minors, while the media and education campaign is targeting the social supply. She said E.A.S.Y. provides reimbursement to local law enforcement agencies for conducting alcohol compliance checks throughout the state. Before the legislation was passed, a lot of jurisdictions did not have the necessary funding to initiate and sustain these programs. Law enforcement agencies are allowed to conduct up to four compliance checks per year at each retail outlet. Helen also reported retailers go through training that arms them with the information and knowledge they need to refuse sales to minors. More than 27,000 individuals completed training in FY 2007 and all of these names have been manually entered into a database maintained by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.</p>
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Agenda Item	Subcommittee Reports
Notes	<p>DUI – Anna Kay Waddoups thanked Mary Lou Emerson for her work on the 5th Annual DUI Report to the Legislature, which was distributed to Council members. She reported Utah is making progress on DUI issues. Anna Kay also reported Senator Carlene Walker will be carrying the subcommittee's DUI legislation this year; the bill has already gone before the Transportation Interim Committee and is a committee bill.</p> <p>Prevention – Verne Larsen reported the Utah Prevention Advisory Council (UPAC) continues to move forward and is in the process of identifying and bringing additional players to the table. He noted total community mobilization is the only way to accomplish an effective prevention strategy. Verne also reported UPAC is very interested in the Underage Drinking Prevention Media Campaign, which is kicking off its second year today. This campaign is bringing awareness to parents about what they can do to help their children remain alcohol-free. Verne said they've met with the prevention coordinators around the state and have discussed upcoming events, which include "ParentsEmpowered Month" in January and town hall meetings on underage drinking in March and April.</p> <p>Treatment – Harold Morrill reported they have excellent attendance at their meetings. He said one of the primary roles of the Treatment Subcommittee is to review treatment statewide and promote ease of access; quality, evidenced-based practices; and cost-effectiveness of services. Harold noted legislators have attended their meetings to present proposed legislation. The subcommittee has also discussed the DORA project and the need for restorative dental care for recovering meth users.</p>

Agenda Item	Update Reports
	<p>Drug Offender Reform Act (DORA) – Mary Lou Emerson reported the Council is tasked with setting the Drug Offender Reform Act (DORA) guidelines and the DORA Oversight Committee has suggested a revision to these guidelines that would add the following statement under DORA Criteria: <i>"Offender officially becomes a DORA client upon entry into treatment and initiation of treatment services"</i>.</p> <p>Motion: Judge Michael Kwan made a motion to approve the revision to the DORA Implementation Guidelines. The motion was seconded by Mayor JoAnn Seghini and passed unanimously.</p> <p>Mary Lou also reported as of November 5, 2007, 317 offenders had received a substance abuse assessment to see if they were in need of treatment services and eligible for DORA</p>

	<p>participation, and 181 offenders had been admitted to a DORA-funded treatment services. These numbers are estimates only, and are collected monthly by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health. Senator Chris Buttars reported he has met with legislative leadership and they are all very supportive of the balance of funding needed for statewide DORA implementation.</p> <p>Utah Methamphetamine Joint Task Force – Mary Lou Emerson distributed the “Campaign in a Box” materials created for the Utah Methamphetamine Public Awareness Campaign. She said these materials will be distributed through the Local Substance Abuse Authority (LSAA) agencies throughout the state; \$10,000 has been set aside for each LSAA to purchase these materials for their area. Phase Two of the campaign will be launched in early December.</p> <p>Governor’s Child and Family Cabinet Council – Brent Kelsey reported this year he would like to focus on adolescent substance abuse as one of our most pressing healthcare concerns. He presented this issue to the Child and Family Cabinet Council about a month ago. Brent reviewed a fact sheet included in the meeting packets. He noted barriers to meeting needs include: fragmented delivery system, gaps in public and private insurance coverage, and stigma and discrimination. Brent also reported there are some promising adolescent programs available now and these programs need to be identified and expanded to other areas of the state.</p>
Agenda Item	2008 Legislative Session: Bill Requests
Notes	Mary Lou Emerson reviewed the bills requests posted on the Legislature’s website thus far. She said the USAAV Executive Committee will meet throughout the legislative session and she will communicate to the Council on a weekly basis, via e-mail, regarding the Committee’s recommendations for USAAV positions on each bill.
Agenda Item	Other Business
Notes	Proposed 2008 Meeting Schedule – Mary Lou Emerson noted a copy of the proposed 2008 USAAV meeting schedule could be found in the meeting packets.
Next Meeting	Tuesday, March 25, 2007, 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m., Utah State Capitol, Capitol Board Room – Suite 240.

Note: Copies of meeting materials are available upon request by contacting Mary Lou Emerson, USAAV Council Director, at (801) 538-1921 or memerson@utah.gov.